



THE DAILY BEAT

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MONTANA TRIBAL NEWS:

LOWER FLATHEAD FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES WINTER GRANTS

RONAN - The Lower Flathead Valley Community Foundation (LFVCF) recently announced its list of grant-funding projects for the winter quarter:

- Salish Point promotional projects and grant writing received \$10,000;
- Salish Kootenai College Leadership Through Cultural Arts received \$3,000;
- Polson Middle School Climbing Wall is being granted \$3,000;
- Mission Valley Aquatics Community Awareness Campaign, \$2,500;
- Elmo Arts and Crafts building remodel project, \$7,569;
- Dayton Park play equipment and fencing, \$5,504; and
- DOVES Windows to Empowerment program received \$3,000.

SALISH KOOTENAI COLLEGE RECEIVES A ONE-YEAR COALITION-BUILDING GRANT

Char-Koosta 01/04/08

PABLO - "We have a lot of amazing people doing important work around food and fitness issues here in the Flathead Reservation

community. The challenge is how we can combine our resources and efforts in a way to better impact change," comments Lauren Caldwell, project coordinator for the new Flathead Reservation Food and Fitness Project (FRFFP).

This project is funded by a one-year \$50,000 grant to Salish Kootenai College from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan. The goal is to form an active coalition of citizens, agencies, and organizations on the Flathead Indian Reservation that will work together to make healthy food and fitness choices a community norm.

YEAR IN REVIEW

By Maggie Plummer and Alyssa Kelly, Char-Koosta 01/04/08

Some of the first news of 2007 was the rekindling of the relationship between the Tribes and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, thanks to Dept. of Interior officials wanting to reestablish a working relationship between the FWS and the Tribes for management and operation of the National Bison Range.

DEA PROBE FINDS TROUBLES WITH INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

By RICHARD PETERSON Great Falls Tribune (01/04/08)

An ongoing Drug Enforcement Agency

Monday, January 07, 2008

inspection into Indian Health Service pharmacies on Montana's seven Indian reservations revealed some discrepancies and ongoing problems at each health center, an agency official said Thursday.

Future arrests are expected as a result of the probe, which went much better than expected, said Jim Tilley, resident agent in charge at the DEA's Billings field office.

IRONS IN THE FIRE FOR 2008

Tim Leeds Havre Daily News 12/31/07

With 2007 coming to a close, local governments and groups have a lot of irons in the stove for the next year. Paul Tuss, executive director of Bear Paw Development Corp., said there is evidence showing that economic growth and even some population growth seems to be happening in the Hill County-area, and that activity could continue. "It's hard to look in a crystal ball," Tuss said, "...

JOB VACANCIES:

Tribal Business Development Officer (Business Development Specialist)

POSITION #: 05178

LOCATION: Helena

DIVISION: Business Resources

PAY BAND: 6

STATUS: Permanent, Full-Time

JOB CODE: 131936

SUPPLEMENT: YES

ANNUAL SALARY: \$36,192 - \$45,240. (DOE continuous service and salaries of existing employees).

Application Deadline: Applications must be submitted to a Montana Job Service Office or the Montana Department of Commerce, Personnel Office, PO Box 200501, Helena MT 59620-0501. Applications must be received or postmarked by the closing date of January 20, 2008.